

## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS HOUSTON DIVISION

IN Re: ENRON CORPORATION SECURITIES, DERIVATIVE & ERISA LITIGATION	) ) MDL 1446 ) 
MARK NEWBY, et al.,	)
Plaintiffs,	) CIVIL ACTION NO. H-01-3624 ) AND CONSOLIDATED CASES
vs.	) AND CONSOLIDATED CASES
ENRON CORPORATION, et al.,	) )
Defendants.	) ) )
DAVID A. HUETTNER, et al.,	)
Plaintiffs,	) CIVIL ACTION NO. H-02-2984
-vs-	) )
EOTT ENERGY PARTNERS, L.P., et al.,	) )
Defendants.	) )

## PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND TO MOTION TO DISMISS

Now come Plaintiffs, by and through counsel, pursuant to Rule 6 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, and move the Court for a thirty day extension of time within which to respond to the Motion to Dismiss for Failure to State a Claim and Renewed Motion to Transfer Venue filed September 20, 2002 and supplemented September 23, 2002, by Defendants EOTT Energy Partners, L.P., Gibbs, Coombe, Hultsman, Maddox, Menchaca, Sample, Ralph, and Whitty.

The Motion addresses complicated legal and factual issues and would be dispositive of Plaintiffs' entire case should it be granted. Pursuant to Civil Rule 6, Plaintiffs' response is due either October 9, 2002 (if the date of filing of the Motion, September 20, 2002, is the operative filing date), or October 10, 2002 (if the date of filing of the supplement to the Motion, September 23, 2002, is the operative filing date).

Civil Rule 6(b) states in pertinent part:

When by these rules or by a notice given thereunder or by order of court an act is required or allowed to be done at or within a specified time, the court for cause shown may at any time in its discretion (1) with or without motion or notice order the period enlarged if request therefor is made before the expiration of the period originally prescribed or as extended by a previous order. . . .

This request is being made before the expiration of the period originally prescribed for a response to the Motion. Good cause exists for this request because the issues presented in the Motion are complicated and the granting of the Motion would result in the dismissal of Plaintiffs' entire case. Moreover, Plaintiffs' counsel is currently involved in litigation in the United States District Court for the Southern District of Indiana (styled Leonard Duval, et al. v. Kenneth Mitan, et al., Case No. 1:02-cv-01282-LJM) and has been in preparation for a major hearing in that case scheduled to go forward on October 9, 2002.

Accordingly, for the foregoing reasons, Plaintiffs respectfully request that this Motion be granted and that Plaintiffs be afforded an additional thirty days, until November 11, 2002, within which to respond to the Motion to Dismiss for Failure to State a Claim and Renewed Motion to Transfer Venue filed September 20, 2002 and supplemented September 23, 2002, by Defendants

EOTT Energy Partners, L.P., Gibbs, Coombe, Hultsman, Maddox, Menchaca, Sample, Ralph, and Whitty.

Respectfully submitted,

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